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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Paul A. Torrie et al.
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Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated January 11, 2001, be extended for one month to and including April 11, 2001.

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Respectfully submitted,

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